

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2 and 10 without prejudice and without disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 1, 6, 8, 11, and 16 to read as shown below. A marked-up version of those claims, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

For the convenience of the Examiner, all of the remaining pending claims, whether amended or not, are set forth below.

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1. (Amended) A human-powered drive mechanism comprising a rotatable member, a supporting member, an endless driving member extended around said rotatable member and said supporting member, and a human powered drive receiving portion mounted to said endless driving member, wherein said supporting member is rotatable, and said human powered drive receiving portion is circulatable with said endless driving member.

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3. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human-powered drive mechanism according to Claim 1, wherein said endless driving member is movable along a large curvature radius portion, first and second small curvature radius portions, and said endless driving member is extended around said supporting member and said rotatable member at the first and second small curvature radius portions.

4. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human-powered drive mechanism according to Claim 1, further comprising constraining means for constraining

rotation of said driving receiving portion about a line included in a plane in which the endless driving member moves.

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5. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 1, wherein said driving receiving portion is rotatable about an axis substantially perpendicular to a plane in which said endless driving member moves.

6. (Amended) A human powered drive mechanism comprising a first rotatable member, a first supporting member, a first endless driving member extended around said first rotatable member and said first supporting member, a second rotatable member, a second supporting member, a second endless driving member extended around said second rotatable member and said second supporting member, a first human powered drive receiving portion mounted to said first endless driving member and a second human powered drive receiving portion mounted to said second endless driving member, wherein said first rotatable member and second rotatable member are coaxial with each other and are fixed to each other by a shaft member, said shaft member comprising a third rotatable member between said first and second rotatable members, wherein said first supporting member is rotatable, and said first human powered drive receiving portion is circulatable with said first endless driving member, and wherein said second supporting member is rotatable, and said second human powered drive receiving portion is circulatable with said second endless driving member.

7. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 4, wherein said constraining means includes an arm having one end rotatably mounted to said driving receiving portion and a free crank having one end rotatably mounted to a frame and the other end rotatably mounted to the other end of the arm.

8. (Amended) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 1, further comprising a propulsion wheel connected with said rotatable member.

9. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 7, wherein a rotation axis of said free crank is disposed outside an orbit formed by said endless driving member.

11. (Amended) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 8, wherein said mechanism is used with a bicycle.

12. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 8, wherein an inclination angle of a large curvature radius portion of said endless driving member relative to the ground is variable.

13. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim 4, wherein said endless driving member includes a plurality of links, and one of said links constitutes a driving force receiving link, wherein said

~~driving force receiving link is provided with a shaft projected in a direction perpendicular~~
to a plane in which said endless driving member moves, and said driving force receiving
link is rotatably mounted to said constraining means through the shaft.

14. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive
mechanism according to Claim 13, wherein the shaft is integral with said driving force
receiving link, and is rotatable relative to said constraining means.

15. (Not Changed From Prior Version) A human powered drive
mechanism according to Claim 13, wherein said driving force receiving link is provided
with a U-shaped groove, in which said driving force receiving link is rotatably connected
with an adjacent link of said endless driving member.

at 16. (Amended) A human powered drive mechanism according to Claim
13, wherein said driving force receiving link is rotatably mounted to said constraining
means by a roller bearing or a linear motion bearing such as a linear bush or the like.